4. Joint Secretary, Ministry of Labour.

5. Joint Secretary, Ministry of Urban Development.

6. Advisory (VSI), Planning Commission.

7. Executive Director, RBI.

8. to 11. State Industry Secretaries of four selected States.

12. Director (DIC), O/o DC(SSI)—Member Secretary.

Other officials/non-officials may be invited to the meetings of this Committte if their presence is felt necessary.

FUNCTIONS OF HIGH POWERED COMMITTEE

1. Framing revision of guidelines.

2. To ensure effective implementation of the programme.

3. To review progress of the programmes in physical, financial and quantitative terms.

4. To consider concurrent evaluation reports.

5. To provide a forum for a continuous dialogue with the State Govts.

6. To consider proposals for providing entrepreneurial development assistance.

**Balanced development of industrial sector**

1476. SHRI YERRA NARAYANASWAMY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any effort is being made to encourage a balanced development in the industrial sector all over the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that large industries are now being largely set up in Western India;

(c) how Government propose to ensure that large industries also come up in States like Andhra Pradesh;

(d) whether imbalanced industrial development will eventually harm the progress of the nation; and

(e) if so, what corrective steps are proposed in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (e) Central Government and the State Governments are seeking to encourage a more balanced industrial development through a policy of selective incentives and infrastructure development. It is correct that a large number of industries are being set up in Western India. Industries tend to get concentrated in areas with well developed infrastructure, better market access etc. Therefore, Government of India is operating a Growth Centre Scheme to establish industrial infrastructure largely in the backward areas with a view to promote industrialisation of backward areas. Under the scheme, Andhra Pradesh has been allotted four centres.

**Modernisation of Public Sector Enterprises**

1477. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry of Industry has asked the Public Sector Enterprises to modernise and also to adopt new technology in their units;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Public Sector Enterprises thereon;

(c) whether the disinvestment policy has helped the Public Sector Enterprises in the above matter; and